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## **AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

An Appendix including an Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 together with copies of the cited references is attached following page 12 of this paper.

An Appendix including the amended drawings of Figures 2 and 4 and Formal Drawings of Figures 1-8e is attached.

An Appendix including declaration under 37 CFR 1.131 along with exhibits A and B is attached.

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## Amendments to the Drawings

Figures 2 and 4 have been amended and reference numerals 22b, 24, 40, 41, and 41a have been removed.